

Christmas in the Kiln

Hundreds turn out for annual Christmas parade in the Kiln area.

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SHOP WITH A COP



Santa's helpers
Close to 100 children got an early start on Christmas at the Waveland Police Department's fifth annual Shop With A Cop event held at Kmart Saturday. Officer Bobby Gavagnie, on leave from Camp Shelby, helps several youngsters make their selections. The event was organized by Investigator Brent Anderson.



Holiday closings

All county and city offices will be closed this Friday and Monday for Christmas. County offices will be closed next Friday and Monday for New Year's as well. The status of city offices is still pending.

Garbage collection will have a slightly amended schedule for both holidays. Homes serviced on Friday will not be affected. Homes serviced on Saturday will have their garbage collected on the next pickup day.

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out gifts and then go through checkout.

Many were veteran shoppers from past years and skillfully filled their baskets with selections for themselves and their families. Other younger children or first timers filled up their basket only to empty it again and choose still more gifts. Officers were on hand to help each child keep track of their spending. Most arrived ready to use their money for gifts for family and friends, said the officers.

This year, as in past years, the officers brought their own family members to help with the monumental task. Bay High School Interact students also helped with the shopping this year. Waveland officer Bobby Gavagnie even managed to wrangle a pass from Camp Shelby to help with the event. Gavagnie is a member of the National Guard 155th Infantry Division B Company which is scheduled to leave for Iraq after Christmas.

As they did last year, officers held a successful golf

tournament fundraiser at the Oaks golf club in November. About 19 teams registered to play in the tournament. Personal and business contributions made up the rest of the needed funds. People were extremely generous, said Anderson, who said he couldn't wait to do it all again next year.

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Fire destroys condominium complex at Henderson Point

BY JOHN WATERMAN

STAFF WRITER

A fire at the Village in Henderson Point destroyed building seven, a three-story condominium, which housed six units.

No one was injured, but two Henderson Point firemen were treated for smoke inhalation.

George Mixon, fire marshal for Harrison County, said that investigators had not determined exactly what caused the blaze, but had already ruled out foul play.

"We don't suspect arson in the cause of the fire," Mixon said. "But as far as pinpointing the exact cause, we're still working on eliminating all possibilities."

The most likely cause of the fire, Mixon said, was an elevator shaft in building seven.

"We suspect some kind of electrical fire in the elevator shaft that spread up to the third floor."

Mixon said there was always a possibility that the problem which caused the fire could be shared by the other buildings.

"If there can be a pinpoint origin or concern, we've got 12 buildings that were all built at the same

time. Common sense would dictate that you have a competent electrician or elevator mechanic check all the other units."

Building 7 contained 2 condos on each floor. The entire building, even the ground floor, was a total loss.

The roof and 3rd floor collapsed on top of the first and second floor. We still have to dig through all of that debris."

According to Mixon, two of the units were permanent residences; two were part-time homes and the last two were up for rent at the time of the fire.

The fire was reported just before noon on Sunday at 11:58 a.m. The Gulfport, Long Beach, Pass Christian and Henderson Point Fire Departments responded to the call. The first unit from Pass Christian was on the scene at 12:04.

"It took about an hour and a half to bring the fire under control, and four hours to get it out," Mixon said. "We had to go back at night for a flare-up, but that was expected."

The Village was built in 1984. It contains a dozen buildings and 60 condominiums.



Fire damaged Building 7 of Village at Henderson Point

Community comes together to make Christmas happier

BY BENNIE
SHALLBETTER

STAFF WRITER

It was a dream come true for Waveland Investigator Brent Anderson. 100 children running down the isles of Kmart last Saturday morning. Anderson reached a long worked for goal this year when the Waveland Police Department, with the help of local residents and businesses, raised enough money to give about 100 children a happier Christmas.

Anderson is the organizer of the Shop With A Cop Program, which started five years ago with about 10 children. This year each child was provided with \$50 to shop for Christmas presents. Kmart offered a discount on purchases. Lunch for all was served at Waveland American Legion Post 77.

There were so many children, 112 originally signed up, that they were delivered in shifts, or shopping groups, throughout the morning. Officers greeted each group at the front door and helped each group pick

tournament fundraiser at the Oaks golf club in November. About 19 teams registered to play in the tournament. Personal and business contributions made up the rest of the needed funds. People were extremely generous, said Anderson, who said he couldn't wait to do it all again next year.

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Artigues said that after doing more research he had advised the county to add the additional ordinance.

The original ordinance prohibits alcohol use at sexually oriented businesses, but Artigues said the additional ruling adds more detail regarding the specific issue of alcohol use and supports the original ordinance.

A hearing held to appeal a decision by the county planning and zoning board to deny a special exception

to applicants for a gentlemen's club on Hwy. 90 brought no resolution. Supervisors voted to take the matter under advisement.

Attorney for Magnolia 1 and Hancock Luke Liro told Supervisors he had come to "extend and olive branch." Liro has filed a First Amendment suit on behalf of the two clubs.

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Sager appointed to crimestoppers

Governor Haley Barbour announced the appointments of Marti "Naron" Morgan, of Jackson; Diane Sager, of Pass Christian; Walter Tucker, of Brandon; Kenneth Wheeler, of Tupelo; and Elijah Wilson, of Oxford, to the Mississippi Crimestoppers for unexpired terms, ending June

30, 2006. The Mississippi Crimestoppers board advises and assists in the creation of local crime stoppers programs, fosters the detection of crime and encourages persons to report information about criminal acts, encourages news and other media to promote local crime stoppers programs, and helps law enforcement agencies detect and combat crime by increasing the flow of information to and

between law enforcement agencies. "These appointees are well-qualified," said Governor Barbour. "Each has extensive experience in this area, and I feel confident they will serve the people of Mississippi well."

Diane Sager has served as Director of Training/Special Operations for Swetman Security Service, Inc., as a criminal justice graduate

Taylor announces funds for South Mississippi counties

U.S. Rep. Gene Taylor has announced that the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) has allocated funds to counties in Mississippi to supplement food, shelter, rent, mortgage, and utility assistance programs for people with non-disaster related emergencies. These funds are given under the Emergency Food and Shelter Program and are disbursed to non-profit organizations and government agencies in eligible jurisdictions. A total of nearly \$300,000 was awarded to Forrest, Lamar, Clarke, George, Greene, Hancock, Harrison, Jackson, Jasper, Jones, Marion, Pearl River, Perry, Stone, and Wayne counties.

"This time of year makes us all sensitive to the needs of those less fortunate. The organizations that tend to these families and individuals provide a great service to our communities. These funds will help strengthen their ability to provide relief for those who need it the most," said Taylor.

The Emergency Food and Shelter Program was established by Congress in 1983. It is administered by a national board of volunteer agencies chaired by FEMA. The national board includes the American Red Cross, Catholic Charities USA, United Jewish Communities, National Council of the Churches of Christ in the U.S.A., The Salvation Army, and United Way of America.

DPS funds DUI training

The Mississippi Department of Public Safety has issued grant money that will assist local prosecutors in obtaining DUI convictions. "Since 1995, Mississippi has averaged over 31,500 DUI arrests each year. That's 86 DUI arrests per day."

Most of these individuals are convicted, but we want to provide any resource possible to aid prosecutors, we want to give that assistance and that is why we are moving ahead with the program as the holidays approach," said Public Safety Commissioner Rusty Fortenberry.

The grant of \$110,000 will fund a Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor. It will provide legal advice, preparing paperwork for court, and the support of federal goals as they relate to DUI prosecution.

"Mississippi will be one of less than a dozen states in America that have a Traffic Safety Resource Prosecutor. Our goal is to be at the forefront of innovation and aggressively strive for ways to make our state a safe place to live and work," Fortenberry added.

The funding will also aid in consistency in the prosecution of DUI cases, give DUI cases priority, and encourage dynamic prosecution of alcohol-related fatality and injury cases.

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D'head Yacht Club robbed Saturday

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

The Hancock County Sheriff's office is investigating the Saturday night armed robbery of the Diamondhead Yacht Club, according to Sheriff Steve Garber.

Chief Investigator Kenny Hurt said, "Around midnight Saturday, Deputy Push Phillips responded to a call at the Yacht Club, which had reportedly just been robbed by two gunmen."

"Phillips was told by the club's night manager that as she was counting receipts, two masked men with guns, one short and the other tall, approached her and demanded money," Hurt reported.

Hurt continued, "The robbers left with an undetermined amount of money. They fled the scene in a dark color vehicle. One tail light was bright and the other dim."

Anyone with information on the robbery are asked to contact the Hancock County Sheriff's office at 228-467-5101, or 601-798-8555.

Hurt said he is assisting Investigator Andre Fizer who is in charge of the investigation.

Boater accidentally electrocuted

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

A Diamondhead boat-house resident was accidentally electrocuted Saturday, according to Sheriff Steve Garber.

"Stanley Berner Adreen, at Diamondhead Yacht Club's Pier Two, was scheduled to have dinner at 4:30 p.m. with friends, James Hunt Saturday. When he did not show up, Hunt went to his houseboat and found him unconscious," Chief Investigator Kenny Hurt reported.

Hurt said, "Authorities were notified and sheriff's officers, Diamondhead Fire Department and American Medical Response was summoned. Adreen was pronounced dead at the scene."

An autopsy was performed on Monday by Dr. Paul McGarry and cause of death was ruled accidental electrocution, Hurt said.

Investigator Deron Cuevas is handling the investigation.



Fatality

George W. Nussbaum, Jr., 66, of Lakeshore was killed in a two car collision at the Waveland intersection of Nicholson Avenue and McLaurin Street on Monday morning, according to Police Chief Jimmy Varnell. Nussbaum was traveling east on McLaurin and failed to stop at the intersection according to reports. His vehicle was struck by a truck driven by Keith D. Marquar traveling south on Nicholson Avenue. The Jaws of Life was used by Waveland Fire Department to extricate Nussbaum from his vehicle. Both were transported by American Medical Response to Hancock Medical Center where Nussbaum was pronounced dead, Varnell said. Marquar was reported to be in a stable condition. Officer in charge of the accident is Mac Coward being assisted by Officer Tina Ladner and Investigator Trent Boyd.

Dog bite injuries mar weekend for residents

BY ELLIS C. CUEVAS
Publisher Emeritus

Two Hancock County residents fell victim to dog bites on their hands over the weekend, according to Chief Sheriff's Investigator Kenny Hurt.

On Sunday, a Pearlington resident was visiting his wife's grave at the Pearlington Cemetery when he was attacked by two bull dogs. On Saturday, a Bayside resident was bitten by a neighbor's black pit bull in her yard.

The victim in Pearlington was taken by a neighbor to Shidell Memorial Hospital where he was treated and released.

The victim said as he was leaving the cemetery, two large brown dogs

jumped from the back of a black pickup truck and attacked him. There were two men working on a grave in the cemetery when the bite occurred. They were to follow him to the hospital, but they did not, according to Hurt.

The victim gave police a brief description of the vehicle and case is being investigated.

On Saturday, the Sheriff's office received a call from a Bayside lady reporting she was bitten by a neighbor's black pit bull dog.

The victim reported to Deputy Abby Liebig, a pit bull owned by a neighbor attacked her small dog in her yard. As she tried to stop the fight, she was bitten on her hand by the pit bull, and her small dog had bites bitten into it from the fight according to Hurt.

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The report continued, "It was revealed that the neighbor's son had released the bull dog from a rope prior to the incident. The County Control Officer was contacted by Deputy Liebig and the dog taken into custody, pending the checking of shot records."

Soccer Clinic

There will be a Collegiate Christmas Soccer Camp, December 29 & 30, 9:00-12:00, at the Scott Demboski Memorial Soccerplex, Longfellow Road, Bay St. Louis. Collegiate level training, drills on fundamentals, tactics and techniques. Instructors will be Michael Kivlan (Bellarmine University) & Nick Middleton (Meridian Community College & Tennessee Wesleyan University). The cost is \$50.00.

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Opinion

Cuevas'
Quotes
by Ellis C. Cuevas
Publisher Emeritus

We can talk about the weather, but we can not change it

Since Saturday is Christmas, there will be many folks traveling to visit relatives and friends, in addition to others having visitors coming to town.

Our highways and roadways will be very busy with traffic, so, while traveling please remember to use extreme caution.

One recommendation too, is not to drink and drive. If you do drink, please have a designated driver.

Nothing mars a holiday season more than having someone killed in an accident. Since many of the deaths in accidents are alcohol related, do not drink and drive.

Even with Monday being the last day of Fall, it was cold here.

Looks like this winter we may be in for a cold one after several mild ones.

I can still recall as a youngster when we would have ice hanging from roofs, trees and shrubs.

Those were some very cold and damp times for us folks in South Mississippi.

We keep hearing about global warming, yet climate changes have taken place since the universe was formed.

So global warming may just be nature at work.

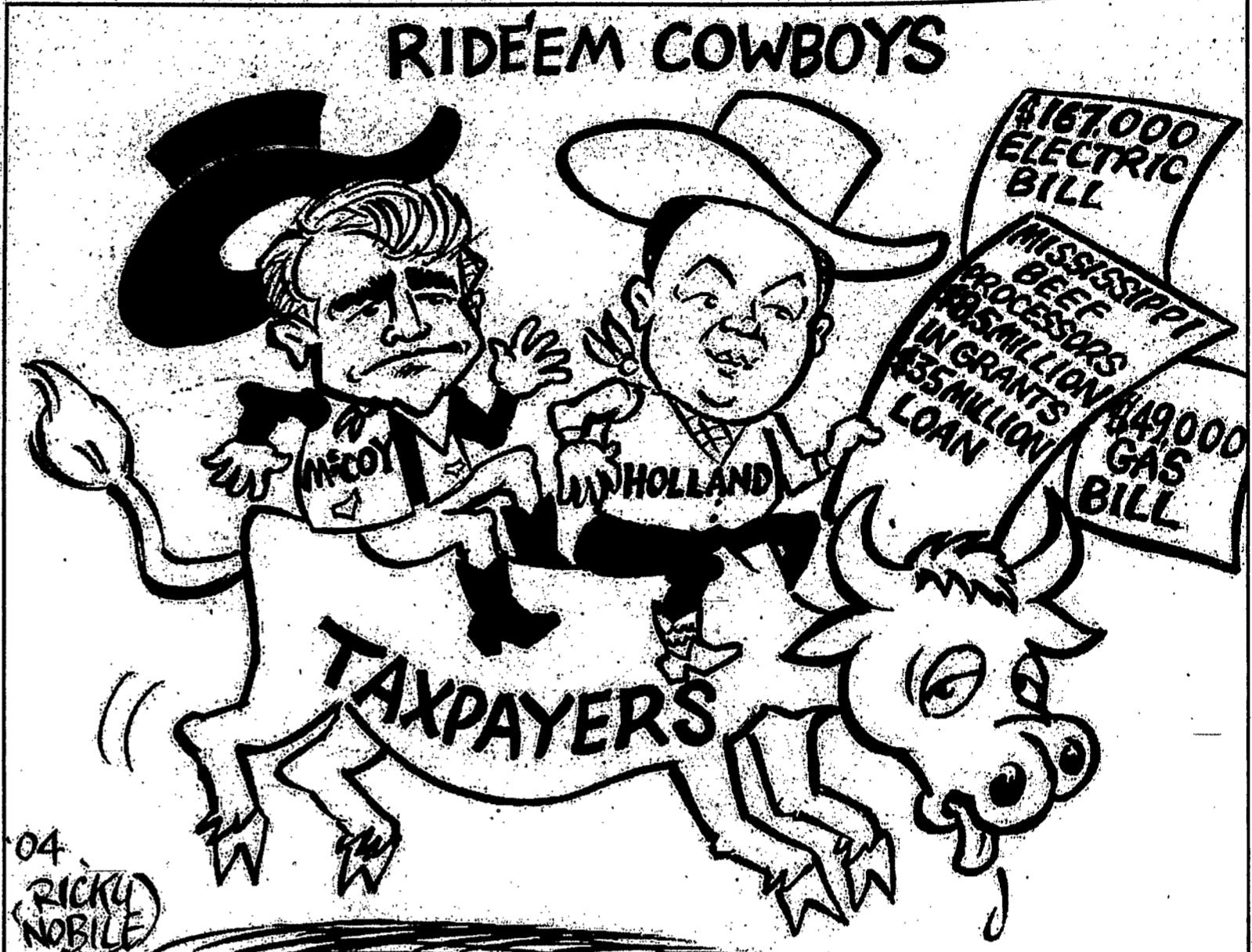
I think one of our local problems is the dramatic changes in temperatures. It is cold one day, warm the next followed by hot.

If it were to stay cold for several days, I do not think we would feel the cold the way we do.

Latest weather reports indicate we will move from warm weather to another day of freezing temperatures on Christmas Eve.

One thing about it, we sure have to dress in layers of clothing, to stay abreast of the frequent temperature changes.

We can discuss, write about and talk about the weather, at the same time not really be able to do anything about it.



Is Lott the new maverick-in-chief of the Republican Party?

Could it be that our own Trent Lott, no longer Senate Majority Leader, is challenging John McCain for the job of maverick-in-chief of the Republican Party?

Certainly when Lott last week chimed in that Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld should go, Trent's remarks echoed rather loudly in the growing demand for Rummy's head.

Why Lott's critical remarks about Rumsfeld, while not the first to be heard from GOP senators, got the attention of pundits is that his Senate voice was the farthest on the right to be raised in the Rummy ranks.

The new round of criticism of the Pentagon boss had been set off when Rumsfeld, in his typical unrepentant manner, was glibly dismissive of a lowly soldier's question complaining about the lack of armor for vehicles in Iraq.

For the guy who runs the most powerful military in world history to make such a remark to a called-up Tennessee national guardsman that "you go to war with the army you have" was the height of insensitivity.

Rummy could get away with that kind of stuff with news reporters or even Congressional committees, but not with a grunt soon to be on the front line Iraq where he could be shot or made prey of a roadside bomb.

Nothing the pugnacious

Rummy had done or said since he took charge of the Defense Department four years ago with a CEO zeal to revamp the whole place has given his critics more ammunition than the fallout from him giving the back of his hand to a soldier.

Especially since the lack of armor on vehicles the grunts brought up to Rummy has now become widely recognized as another major Pentagon screw-up.

Arizona's John McCain was the first GOP senator to level a blast at Rummy for brushing off the soldier's concerns. But McCain has been known to take pot-shots at some of George Bush's favorites, so his was not a surprise.

Then Nebraska's Chuck Hagel added his critical voice, followed by Susan Collins of Maine, also no big surprise, since both are among the Senate's few GOP moderates.

So when Lott, long known to be out on the Republican right wing climbs on the Rummy-must-go bandwagon, even with less strident remarks, it gave the bandwagon added momentum.

Significantly, Lott came down on the side of critics of Rumsfeld at a time when the closing of military bases in Mississippi has again

come into play. Naturally, the head guy at the Pentagon would be expected to have a major say-so on which bases would be shut down.

Maybe this indicates that Lott knows that Rummy is already headed for the exit, and his remarks won't hurt.

Actually, the best thing going for Mississippi to hold on to its bases is that the state's senior senator, Thad Cochran will take over the chairmanship of the Senate Appropriations Committee in January.

Cochran's ascendancy to that chair is bound to give the state some extra clout to keep its bases off the chopping block.

It's been known for years that Thad Cochran and Trent Lott have never been real soul mates in Congress mostly because of a clash in personalities and Lott's ambition versus Cochran's laid-back style.

Consequently, it won't be easy for Lott to take a back seat while Cochran steers as lead base-saver.

Lott's latest departure from the Bush Administration line with his Rumsfeld remarks is further indication Trent Lott wants to show us an interesting new side of himself.

After 30 years of being an

ideologue, a party loyalist and thunder on the right, Trent Lott, unseated from his seat of power, is showing signs of nascent independence.

Maybe we're seeing Trent Lott with an extreme makeover as a full-fledged maverick, a maverick from the right as compared to mavericks who usually come from the left in Congress. Mavericks have "more fun" says University of Virginia political science savant Larry Sabato. I believe it.

Certainly Trent seems to enjoy his new role as an outsider who can pick his targets to snipe at. Evidently he has contented himself just being the junior U.S. Senator from Mississippi, sans prestige us portfolio.

That's evident from the fact he's made it known that he is not stepping down at the end of his third term in January, 2006 and will seek re-election, contrary to what many thought was the case when he was stripped of his job as Majority Leader.

Trent still has a few months before qualifying deadline time to play a little game of cat and mouse about pulling out a game he has enjoyed playing at times in the past.

Meantime, Trent will be running in an open field, because no one has appeared on the scene to challenge him. His old Teflon coating, even thinner than what it was, still seems to be working.

Joy of the season harder to find

AN AP OPINION
EXCHANGE
BY KIM JOBE
DAILY CORINTHIAN

Some folks think John Grisham has the right idea. The author who once called Oxford home and is best known for writing legal thrillers penned a short holiday book in 2001.

The book, called "Skipping Christmas," quickly became a popular holiday read and was turned into a movie this season titled "Christmas With the Cranks."

Without giving away too much of the plot, since I hate to do that to those like me who actually enjoy reading

the book features a couple who are faced with a dilemma at Christmas time. Their nearly grown daughter opts to pass on traveling home for Christmas. Rather than participating in the usual holiday traditions, the couple plans to do something unseasonal like travel to an island nation to bask in the sun.

Although the couple feels a bit odd about their decision, they quickly come to terms with it. Their neighbors, though, seem to be having a difficult time accepting the fact that the couple's home no longer looks like it's in competition with Clark W. Griswold's

lighting creation.

It seems almost everyone I've come in contact with during the past few days has had a severe case of the basic bah humbugs. Whether it's the unseasonal weather we have been experiencing or late or the frenetic pace we have turned what should be a joyful time into, most folks tell me they could easily skip Christmas this year.

In all honesty, I'm having a bit of problems finding the old spirit of the holidays myself. Since I'm not a doctor and don't even play one on TV, I can't seem to diagnose the root cause of my holiday blues. I don't know

if the symptoms stem from the fact that the merchandising of the holiday which starts well before the first autumn leaves fall from the trees, has taken the uniqueness of it away. Or if it could be that maturity has put a damper on the magic that once made up the holiday.

Possibly it could be the fact that my family has strayed away from the traditions I grew up with and our attempts to make new ones have fallen a bit short. And a small part of my ambivalence could stem from knowing it's my turn to

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Jones wins conservation award

The Hancock County Soil & Water Conservation District presented a Certificate of Appreciation to Angela G. Jones, a ninth grade student from Hancock High School, at their annual meeting Dec. 6, 2004 at the Bay St. Louis Depot.

Presentation of this award was in recognition of the many years that Jones has been an Earth Team Member for the District. Earth Team members are part of the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service program that provides assistance to the District by being volunteers on field days and special events of education.

Presenting the award was James (Sammy) Eastridge, Chairman, Hancock County SWCD, and Norma Dore, Information/Education Coordinator/District Clerk. Present at this meeting were the local HCSWCD Commissioners and Auxiliary, Hancock Board of Supervisors, representatives from several local, state and federal agencies and other Earth Team Members.

In October, Jones taught an educational stop for the Hancock County SWCD, at their annual Conservation Education Field Days for



Conservation Award

James S. Eastridge, Chairman Hancock County SWCD, and Norma Dore, I&EC /DC, present the Conservation Award to Angela G. Jones.

fourth graders in Hancock County. "Her stop was on recycling and she did a very good job and it was an excellent experience for her."

Jones has been a member since before she was born because her Mother Paulette Jones was a volunteer and played Sammy Soil (a soil particle for education) while she was carrying

Angela. This makes Jones a

third generation for Conservation Education for Hancock County Soil & Water Conservation District, because her Nanna is Norma Dore, who has worked for the District for 18 years. Her brother is Anthony Guidry also an Earth Team Member and student at Hancock High.

She has stated that she wants to be a teacher, so this

may be a good start for this future teacher. Congratulations Angela Jones for a job well done.

Jones is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Scot Jones and E.A. Guidry, Granddaughter of Mr. & Mrs. Glenn (Boss Hog) Dore, and Mr. & Mrs. R.W. Guidry.

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Ordinance

Hancock Entertainment is proposing a club on Hwy. 603.

Lirot asked the board to reverse the planning and zoning board's decision because, he said, their oath of office obliges them to uphold the U.S.

Constitution. Denying the permit violates the First Amendment rights of the applicants, Lirot said.

In other business:

• Supervisors voted to allow the closure of several streets and alleys in the Gulfview Subdivision at the

request of the Silver Slipper Casino project.

• Dawn Stolz asked for help to ensure that cars stay off of the beach front hike and bike trail. Stolz said she was almost killed by a car driving down the trail. She suggested that curbs be

replaced along the beach road and that the road be stripped. Supervisors also suggested painting the curb at street entrances with a reflective paint and raising the fines for driving on the trail. No vehicles are allowed on the trail.

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Joy of the Season

work on Christmas Day this year which will, like it or not, keep me close to home for the duration. . . .

Whatever the reasons might be, I simply can't seem to find any joy this year. I've even had a difficult time making a Christmas wish list recently when several family members asked me for one. It seems that most of the things I truly want for Christmas can't be purchased in major retail stores around the area. And let's not even discuss my annual letter to Santa.

It's not that my desired gifts are big ticket items. It's just hard to purchase extra time in the day to do things I truly want to do, more bucks in the bank or the opportunity to spend quality time with friends and family members I desire to see yet can seem to get the opportunity to connect with.

Attempting to do some-

thing to possibly plunge myself into the holiday spirit, I began to work on my Christmas card list the other night. During the past few years, I've seemed to be a bit more lax about that traditional task and either haven't gotten all my cards posted or simply didn't get any of them signed and addressed at all.

Being a writer by trade, folks tend to expect to find something inserted in the cards personally penned by me. Since I don't consider 2004 one of the best years I've ever experienced, I decided to not to write a year-in-review and, instead, imitate something I did several years ago.

Not feeling very creative, I attempted to locate a copy of the last poem I wrote and re-gift it. But I simply couldn't find that verse anywhere. So I sat down and attempted to put my feelings about the holiday on

paper. I tried to be as positive as possible while being honest, too. It's no Pulitzer Prize-winning piece, but it's from the heart.

I will go ahead and share it here for those who may not receive a card from me this season (although I've gotten a good start, who knows when I may find time to finish the list?).

Why is the wonder of Christmas, the joy, the peace, the cheer Just saved for one short season

And not spread throughout the year?

Why does the hope and magic have to pass away at all?

Why can't we help our neighbor

In summer, spring and fall?

Why must goodwill be reserved

For just the briefest times?

When real love could

change our entire world

Without spending a single dime.

Why shouldn't we take more moments

To tell people how we feel

And how much they have helped our lives

To become something more real?

For me, I don't get to see you

As often as I wish I could.

Nor do I say I love you

Quite as frequently as I should.

But this time of year when we recall

A baby born in a manger stall

Who became a sacrifice for us all

... I realize that presents of the holiday

Are not packages tied with ribbon or string

They're instead those little gifts of the heart

That mean the greatest things.



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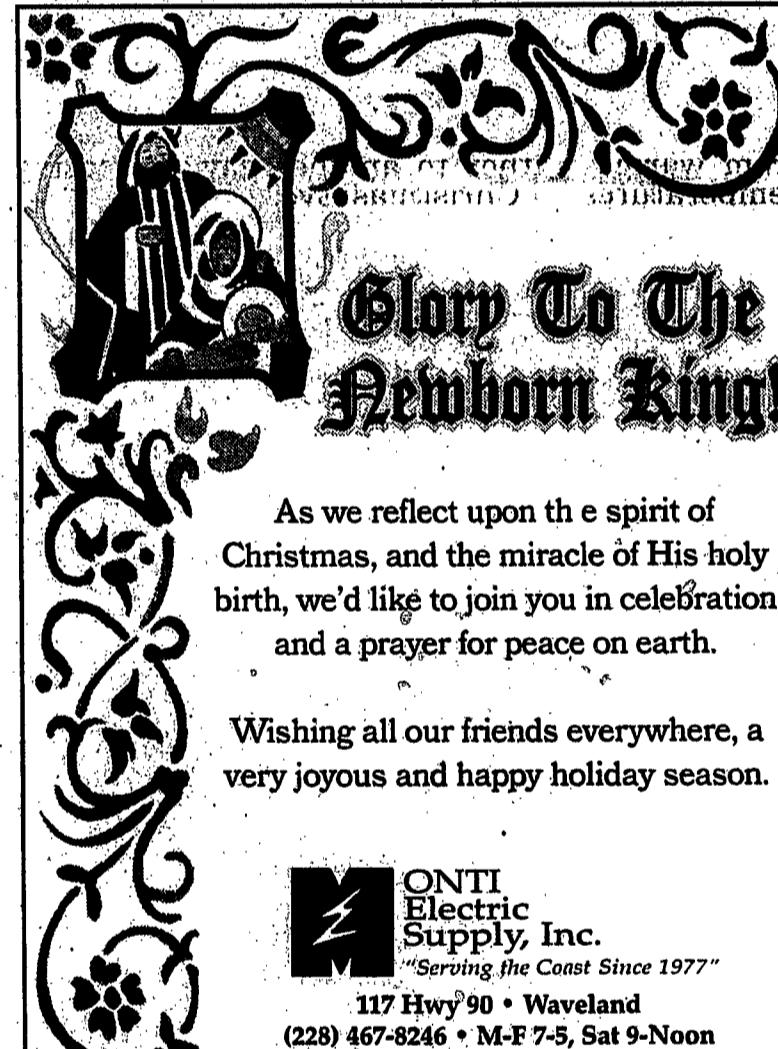
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USM announces fall graduates

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Candidates for graduation from the local area included:

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Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Lorraine O. Strom Master of Library and Information Science, Paula Wallis Triche Doctor of Philosophy, Dana Marie Warzecha Bachelor of Fine Arts, and Elizabeth Lois Arnsdorff Bachelor of Science;

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Bachelor of Science, Diana Rachelle Brennan Bachelor of Science, Tiffany Michelle Cuevas Bachelor of Science, Rosanna Lynn Cuevas Bachelor of Science in Nursing, LaSonia Catrice Dedeaux Master of Public Health, Katrina Rachelle Dubuisson Bachelor of Arts, James Gregory Guin Jr. Bachelor of Science, Stephanie Nicole King-Larsen Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Joseph Lyvone Lamberth Bachelor of Science in Business Administration;

Kevin Clark McDermott Bachelor of Science, Albert L. Palode Jr. Bachelor of Science in Business Administration, Sara T. Pelletier Master of Science, Kyle French Wittmann Bachelor of Science in Business Administration;

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Angelle Marie Lamb Bachelor of Science;

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Melissa Mary Dorn Bachelor of Science in Business Administration.

The sea comes to life at D'head home

Diamondhead has many beautiful homes that are decorated for Christmas.

All one has to do is drive down any street and you will see Christmas lights and decorations of every size and color. But on a small street just off Bayou Drive is one of the most unusual and beautiful displays of Christmas lights one can imagine. Every year it keeps growing larger and larger and more inventive. It is the

home of Carol and Dempsey Milton.

Several years ago, Dempsey decided he was tired of seeing the same store bought decorations on all the homes. So he decided to make his own. His first creation was a large blue/green/white dolphin. It took over 1000 lights to complete it. It looked a little lonely out on the tree, so he made a huge red crab to hang from the bush nearby.

The crab took over 1300 lights. By this time, the Miltons were in the mood to keep their sea creations growing. A large white starfish was added. This year, Dempsey has created two huge, beautiful palm trees.

On the drawing board are plans for a sea horse and a whale tail. On their adjoining lots it is hard to find a tree or bush that is not covered in lights from the

PRCC teacher wins humanities award

The Mississippi Humanities Council recently selected Pearl River Community College history and geography instructor Scott Kimball as Humanities Teacher of the Year.

"The number of abandoned children and, especially of girl babies has significantly increased since the implementation of the one child policy," said Kimball. "It's against the law to abandon babies, but if a couple has a girl, and they want a boy, they don't feel like they have any other

ital of Guangdong Province, to adopt their orphaned daughter, Evelyn, he has seen firsthand the outcome of the one child policy.

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ry, and he always wants to expand his knowledge. Scott, in my opinion, clearly deserves the award."

"In my history courses, students are called upon to use higher-order learning skills that allows them to connect the events, terms, people, and concepts of the past to the present," said Kimball. "In this way, students gain truly valuable knowledge that can be applied for benefit their own lives and the lives of those around them."

The Mississippi Humanities Council supports activities that help all citizens understand themselves and others by furthering their knowledge of history, literature, philosophy, and other disciplines concerned with human values and experiences. The Mississippi Humanities Council works in conjunction with other local and statewide organizations and institutions, such as museums, libraries, historical societies, schools, colleges, and universities, to increase their effectiveness and enrich the lives of the people they serve.

Seedlings being delivered by Forestry Commission

BY: T. KEITH BEATTY COUNTY FORESTER

Seedlings are now being shipped to cold-storage units at Mississippi Forestry Commission district offices. Pines will be shipped throughout the planting season, as needed, and rotated to ensure fresh planting stock.

Landowners contracting with tree planting vendors should coordinate seedling pick-up with vendors and their county foresters.

Seedlings are maintained in climate-controlled facilities at one of the Forestry Commission district offices located at Tupelo, Elliott, Philadelphia, Bay Springs, Wiggins and Brookhaven. Vendors and landowners are allowed to pick up a day's supply at a time.

Forestry Commission personnel and vendors are trained in the care of seedlings in the field. For the benefit of landowners planting their own seedlings, the following tips are provided:

Do not expose bundles, bags or boxes of seedlings to direct sunlight. On the planting site, store them in a shady spot (such as under a vehicle). Limit the exposure of roots to air. Use a planting bag strapped around the waist. Immediately transfer seedlings from the shipping container to the planting bag. Remove only one seedling at a time from the planting bag and plant it immediately. Do not hold a handful of seedlings. Roots

exposed to the air dry out quickly, which could affect seedling survival or growth.

Leftover seedlings should be stored in a shady, cool spot, but Mississippi Forestry Commission seedlings are packed in "Hydro-Jell" a substance that sticks to their roots, keeping them moist; they should not be watered in the bale.

Hardwood seedlings, due to the smaller numbers ordered, will all be shipped in one load in January. Owners will be notified when they arrive. If you have ordered hardwood seedlings and don't receive a notice by February, contact your county forester.

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Prior to retiring, Reynolds was a warehouse manager with the 2nd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Fort Polk, Leesville, La.

Reynolds began his military career in 1984 as a refueling specialist in the U.S. Air Force. In 1989 he cross-trained into medical logistics field and spent seven more years before leaving the Air Force to join the U.S. Army as a warrant officer in the automated logistics specialist field. He has served at various locations around the world to include: Altus Air Force Base, Okla.; Fort Sill, Lawton, Okla.; Guam; England; Germany and Baghdad, Iraq.

He is the former ward of Jody and Linda Lemain of Pearlington.

His wife, Lydia, is the daughter of Paula Lopez of Olustee, Okla.

The warrant officer graduated in 1979 from North Central High School, Pass Christian, and received a bachelor's degree in 1995 from Liberty University, Lynchburg, Va.

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Pass Christian accepts Antoine's resignation

The Pass Christian City Council met for their last meeting of 2004 on Dec. 22.

As part of their agenda, the council:

Accepted \$1,000 from Wal-Mart for baskets for the needy.

Accepted the resignation of Kevin Antoine from the Pass Christian School Board, effective immediately.

Ratified payment in the amount of \$20,000 to Malcolm F. Jones for legal services, and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of revenue bonds, series 2004. The series of bonds came to the principal amount of \$2,000,000.

Ratified Payment in the amount of \$26,025.33 to Watkins, Ludlam, Winter & Stennis, P.A., for services rendered and expenses incurred in connection with the issuance of revenue bonds, series 2004. The bond series came to the principal

amount of \$2,000,000.

Declined to contract with Jason Moore on a personal service contract at an hourly rate of \$20 per hour to train Patti Schruff on purchasing, civil defense, safety workers compensation and fire department.

Approved the request of Chief John Dubisson to send Sgt. Michael Lally to an 80-hour course on police subject control.

Approved the hiring of Colver Hayden as harbor clerk at a rate of \$9.93 an hour and a six-month probationary period. Hayden had worked with the Pass Christian Harbor since 1999, and left the job for a year to take care of his father.

Issued a \$75.00 cash prize in lieu of one month's free slip rental to Mike Hardaman for being a place winner in the lighted boat parade.

BSL named “Best getaway”

Southern Breeze magazine readers recently selected Old Town Bay St. Louis as the Best Getaway in Mississippi for 2004. The

magazine explores the people, places and culture that make life special on the Gulf Coast and centers on south Louisiana, coastal Mississippi and Alabama, and northwest Florida.

The Southern Breeze Best of the Gulf Coast Contest began in 2003. Each year readers will have a chance to nominate their favorite in several categories for each of the states that Southern Breeze covers. Best of the Gulf Coast winners will be published in the Southern Breeze 2005 Travel Issue, which will be on newsstands in February.

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Golden Key International Honour Society inducts Erica Benvenutti

Erica Leigh Benvenutti of Diamondhead has accepted membership in Golden Key International Honour Society and was individually honored during a recent campus ceremony.

"It is only fitting that a high academic achiever like Erica be recognized by Golden Key," said Alexander D. Perwitz II, Golden Key's Chief Executive Officer. "Our members are inspired and motivated by the challenge not only to be recognized for their outstanding accomplishments but also to make a positive impact on our world through the Society's commitment to service."

Golden Key International Honour Society was founded more than 25 years ago in Atlanta, Georgia and provides academic recognition to college juniors and seniors in the top 15 percent of their class. The mission of the global, non-profit Society is to build global communities of academic achievers by providing opportunities for individual growth through leadership, career development, networking and service. The

Erica is a pre-med/nursing major at University of South Alabama, a member of Kappa Delta Sorority, presidential scholar and is on the Dean's list.

She is the daughter of Mr. Keith and Dr. Judith Benvenutti.

Coast Guard suggests last minute holiday gift ideas

The U.S. Coast Guard and Coast Guard Auxiliary would like to offer a few last minute holiday gift ideas for the boater in your life.

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Another gift idea is to sign up for a boating safety course. Boating safety course topics include basic boating knowledge, laws, navigational rules, and problem solving. To learn more, visit <http://www.cgaux.org/cgaux/web/classes/master.shtml>.

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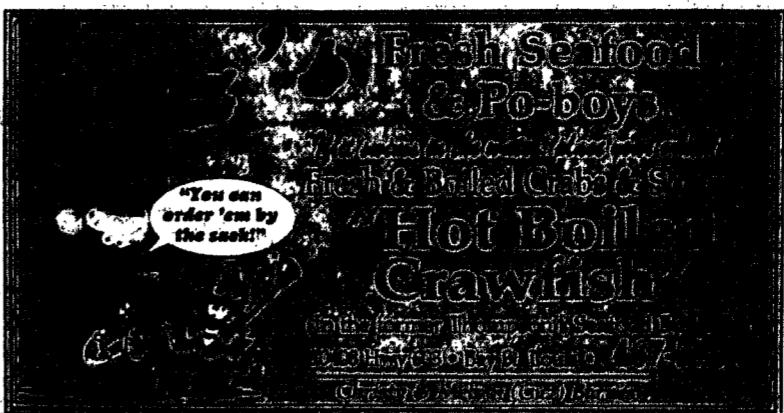
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Obituaries

WILFRED BARNES
JEANETTE BEINHAUER
ADELE BIELENBERG
JESSIE BROADHEAD
LEO COX
LINDA M. FAYARD
EDNA MALISHANE
GEORGE NUSSBAUM, JR.

WILFRED BARNES

Wilfred J. Barnes, 50, of Pass Christian, MS, died December 16, 2004, in Gulfport.

Mr. Barnes was a faithful Christian who ministered to many people. His ministry included outreach to youth, the homeless and those who are imprisoned.

He graduated from Pass Christian High School in 1972 and received his Bachelor of Arts degree from University of Southern Mississippi in Hattiesburg. He was employed by Oreck Manufacturing where he worked in the marketing department. He was previously employed with Ingalls Ship Building and Stennis Space Center. His artistic talents were evident in his illustrations for several children's books and his paintings which were displayed at art gallery showings in Mississippi, Louisiana and Michigan. Mr. Barnes was a gifted writer, publishing works of poetry, books and lyrics for several songs.

Mr. Barnes was preceded in death by his paternal grandparents, Mr. Atwood Barnes and Mrs. Brunette Green, and his maternal grandparents, William and Virtue Dedeaux.

His survivors include: his parents; Jesse and Jeanell Barnes both of Pass Christian, MS, three brothers; Christopher (Jama) Barnes of DeLisle, MS, USAF Ret. TSgt Aaron J. Barnes of Djibouti, Africa, USAF Lt. Col. Patrick (Claudia) Barnes of Garden City, NY, four sisters; Gail (Michael) Antoine of Pass Christian, Alida (Paul) Fairconeture of Dolton, IL, Carolyn (Chauncey) Philian

of Gulfport, Orlando B. Booker of Pass Christian, one Godchild; Justin Arbuthnot and a host of nieces, nephews, family and friends.

Funeral services will be held 11 a.m. Thursday, December 23, 2004, at Lockett-Williams Chapel in Gulfport, MS. There will be a visitation one hour prior to services. Interment will follow at St. Stephen's Cemetery in DeLisle, MS.

JEANETTE BEINHAUER

Jeanette Peterson Beinhauer, age 85, died Sunday, December 19, 2004, in Diamondhead.

Mrs. Beinhauer was born November 28, 1919, in Brooklyn, NY, and lived in Lake Ronkonkoma, NY, prior to relocating to Saucier, MS. She was a clerk with the Suffolk County, NY, Probation Department, and also worked at the Department of Social Services in New York. She moved to Mississippi in the mid-1970s and worked at what is now the Mississippi Developmental Center in Long Beach, MS. Her last residence was in the Woodland Village Center in Diamondhead.

Mrs. Beinhauer was a member of St. Matthews Lutheran Church in Gulfport, and was a lifetime member of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the VFW.

She was greatly loved and will be missed by many. Mrs. Beinhauer was preceded in death by her parents, August and Henrietta S. Peterson; and grandsons, Thomas W. Beinhauer, and Patrick A. Noonan III. Survivors include her husband of 63 years, Harold Beinhauer, of Diamondhead; sons, Harold Beinhauer and his wife, Carol, of Gulfport; Gerald Beinhauer and his wife, Eileen, of Zephyr Hills, FL; and William Beinhauer and his wife, Alice, of Diamondhead; daughters, Denise Noonan and her

husband, Patrick; and Suzanne Powers, all of Gulfport; 13 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Visitation was Tuesday evening, December 21, at Riemann Memorial Funeral Home, Hwy 49 North in Gulfport. The funeral will be at 9:45 a.m. Wednesday in the funeral home chapel, followed by burial in the National Cemetery in Biloxi.

ADELE BIELENBERG

Adele Bielenberg, retired teacher and resident of Pass Christian for over 96 years, died at St. Anna's residence home in New Orleans, Sunday, Dec. 12, 2004.

Affectionately known as "Miss Pass Christian," Miss Bielenberg was born and raised in Pass Christian and was a foremost authority on the town's history. Her grandfather, Frederick Bielenberg, a skilled cabinetmaker and upholsterer, owned the first furniture store in the city. Her parents were Edward and Katie Bachr Bielenberg and her sister was Katherine Bielenberg Bacon.

Miss Bielenberg graduated from Pass Christian High School as valedictorian in 1924. She received a Bachelor of Science degree from Mississippi Southern Teachers' College and completed a master's degree from Tulane and USM in 1960. Miss Bielenberg began her teaching career at Pineville and Hurley when later moved to Pass Christian Elementary School where she served as principal from 1957 to 1970. After 43 years of teaching she retired and received recognition for her outstanding service to the school and community. Her retirement was short-lived however, and she soon returned to work as principal for St. Paul Interparochial School. At her second retirement she was honored by the PTO for 49 years of dedicated educational leadership. In 1990 she received the Rotary International Outstanding Citizen Award for Pass Christian.

Miss Bielenberg was known for her many years of devoted service as an educator and community activist. She organized the first registered Girl Scout troop in Pass Christian and was troop leader for four years. As a cancer survivor she volunteered with the American Cancer Society and visited newly diagnosed cancer patients. She was Junior Red Cross Chairman of West Harrison County for ten years and was a long-standing member of the Pass Christian Historical Society serving as an officer in the Society. She was also a member of the Pass Christian Garden

Club and the Gulfport Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons. She served as chaplain for the Alpha Epsilon Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma. She also held membership in the Pass Christian Yacht Club, Mississippi Educational Association and Mississippi Zeta Chapter of the Alpha Delta Chapter of the Alpha Kappa, an honorary professional sorority. She was an active parishioner of St. Paul's Catholic Church where she served as a Eucharistic Minister. For many years, Miss Bielenberg faithfully visited the sick, shut-ins and residents of nursing homes.

Rita Lapara of New Orleans, Miss. Bielenberg's first cousin and caregiver during her recent years of illness, described Miss Bielenberg as a very intelligent and active woman who loved spending time with children, her family and her many friends. Mrs. Lapara said that Adele's independent and determined yet warm and giving spirit will be missed by the many people whose lives she touched.

Miss Bielenberg is survived by first cousins, Mrs. Nicholas Lapara, Mrs. Elbert Bostick and Mrs. Joseph Pardue and a host of second and third cousins. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held Thursday, at 11 a.m. at St. Paul's Catholic Church, 140 East Beach, Pass Christian, where friends may visit from 10 a.m. until the service. Burial will be in St. Paul's Cemetery. For those wishing to do so, either flowers or donations to your favorite charity are appreciated.

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Funeral Home, 15th Street, Gulfport is in charge of arrangements.

JESSIE BROADHEAD

Jessie "J.P." Broadhead, age 70, a resident of Carriere, MS, died Friday, Dec. 10, at his residence after a long, courageous battle with cancer. He was surrounded by his loved ones.

He was born in Laurel, MS, and lived in Carriere for the past 32 years. Before moving to Carriere, he had lived in Arabi, LA. He was a shipfitter and a union member. He was of the Baptist faith and a member of the First Baptist Church of Henleyfield, MS.

Mr. Broadhead was preceded in death by his parents, William "Paul" and Della Broadhead, and a sister, Wilma Crockrom. He is survived by his wife, Nellie Broadhead of Carriere, MS, daughters Rose Roberson of Carriere, MS, Freda Garcia and husband Mike of Carriere, MS, Paula Garcia and husband Jarvier of Gretna, LA, a son Wayne Broadhead and wife Diana of Bay St. Louis, MS, two sisters Faye Mezenko and Billie Sue Mitchell, both of Laurel, MS, two brothers O.B. Broadhead of Carriere, MS, and R.L. Broadhead of Chalmette, LA. Grandchildren: Celia, Scott, Chad, Katie, Conchita, Miguel, Elizabeth, Rosalee, and Joy. Great Grandchildren: Chris, Jessie, Gwen, Jewelie, Jessica, Cody and Christopher.

Visitation was held in the Picayune Funeral Home in Picayune, MS, on Dec. 12. Services were held at the First Baptist Church of Henleyfield, MS, on Dec. 13. The Rev. Bryan Williams officiated the service assisted by Rev. Sollie Smith and Wayne Broadhead. Interment followed at First Baptist Church Cemetery of Henleyfield, MS.

LEO COX

Leo Cox, age 87 and a resident of Pass Christian, died Monday, December 20, 2004, in Gulfport.

Mr. Cox was a native of Lakeshore, MS, and a lifelong resident of the Coast. He served in the U.S. Marine Corps during World

War II, and was a Pearl Harbor survivor. He was a lifelong member of St. Paul Catholic Church in Pass Christian and was owner for over 40 years of Lee's Barber Shop in Pass Christian. Mr. Cox was a member of VFW, Knights of Columbus, American Legion, and served as president of the Pass Christian School Board during the 1950s. He also was active in Mardi Gras in Pass Christian and helped design and build floats.

Visitation will be on Monday, December 27, 2004 at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of the Gulf Church in Bay St. Louis.

Family prefers memorials to Special Olympics or Ms. Law Enforcement Assn.

EDNA MALISHANE

Mrs. Edna Malishane, 91, of Bay St. Louis died Dec. 12, 2004. Services were held Dec. 18, at 11 a.m. at Valena C. Jones Baptist Church. Baylous Funeral Home, Picayune in charge.

GEORGE NUSSBAUM, JR.

"George W. 'Billy Lumpy'" Nussbaum, Jr., 66, of Bay St. Louis, MS, died December 20, 2004 in Bay St. Louis, MS.

He was a native of New Orleans, LA and a resident of Bay St. Louis, MS since 1979. He was of the Catholic Faith and a member of St. Ann Catholic Church. He was a member of the American Legion Post #139 in Bay St. Louis, Knights of Columbus in New Orleans, LA, Hancock County Lawmen's Association. He volunteered many hours to the VFW in Lakeshore, MS.

He is preceded in death by his son, George Henry Nussbaum, parents, George William & Agnes Liljeberg Nussbaum, Sr. and a sister, Dorothy N. Lensmeyer. He is survived by his wife, Patricia Cain Nussbaum of Bay St. Louis, MS, son, Michael James Nussbaum of Waveland, MS, 3 daughters, Margaret Nussbaum Weathers of Covington, LA, Pamela Nussbaum LaFontaine of Lakeshore, MS, Dotsie Nussbaum Cook of Waveland, MS, 3 brothers, Eddie Nussbaum, Johnny Nussbaum, and George Nussbaum all of St. Bernard Parish, LA, sister, Carol Ann Nussbaum McGovern of Marrero, LA, 6 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Visitation was held on Wednesday, December 22, 2004 from 7:00 pm until 10:00 pm at the Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS. Burial will be on Friday, December 24, 2004 at 10:00 am in Garden of Memory Cemetery, Edmond Fahey Funeral Home in Bay St. Louis, MS.

Mrs. Fahey was an employee at Casino Magic in the pastry department. She is preceded in death by parents, Theodore and Gladys Morel; Brothers William and Alton Morel; Grandson Michael McClain. Survivors include her husband Richard Fahey; Daughters Lorine McClain and her husband Phillip of Bay St. Louis, Karen

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In death we love you still
In our hearts you hold a place
No one could ever fill.

If tears could build a stairway
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We'd walk the path to heaven,
And bring you back again.

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Love, and missing you everyday
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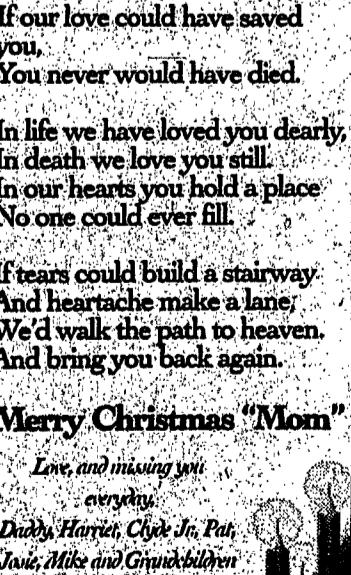
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BUSINESS NEWS

Penalty tariffs approved on imported shrimp

BY MARTIN CRUTSINGER

AP ECONOMICS WRITER

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Bush administration on Monday upheld the imposition of penalty tariffs on shrimp imports from Brazil, Ecuador, India and Thailand.

The move won praise from U.S. shrimp producers but drew criticism from importers, who said the penalty tariffs would drive up food costs for consumers.

The dumping case was brought by the Ad Hoc Shrimp Trade Action Committee, whose members are located in Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, North and South Carolina and Texas.

The Commerce Department ruling affirmed with slight modifications a preliminary ruling reached in late July that the four countries were selling shrimp in the United States at unfairly low prices, a practice known as dumping.

The department imposed antidumping tariffs on shrimp imported from the four countries ranging from 9.69 percent to 67.8 percent for Brazil, 2.35 percent to 4.48 percent for Ecuador, 5.02 percent to 13.42 percent for India, and 5.79 percent to 6.82 percent for Thailand.

The penalty tariffs, which are already being collected subject to a possible refund, will be made final in late January if it is the U.S. International Trade Commission upholds its preliminary ruling that U.S. shrimp producers are being harmed by the imports.

The Commerce

Department had ruled late last month that imports of shrimp from two other countries — China and Vietnam — were being sold in the United States at unfairly low prices and imposed antidumping duties on them.

Together, the six countries provide about 75 percent of the shrimp that Americans eat.

U.S. food distributors complained that the penalty tariffs will drive up shrimp prices at restaurants and grocery stores.

"During this holiday season, the Commerce Department says 'Bah humbug' to American consumers who have come to enjoy eating affordable shrimp dishes in restaurants and at their dinner tables," said Wally Stevens, president of the American Seafood Distributors Association.

"American families need to stop being penalized and taxed by their government when a tiny industry refuses to compete or restructure."

Representatives of the Ad Hoc Shrimp Trade Action Committee said that the government's action would save thousands of American jobs in an industry that has suffered severe financial losses because of unfair trading practices of other countries.

"It is hard to watch entire communities in Louisiana become ghost towns due to unfair trading," said Kim Chauvin of Chauvin, La. Some of the world's most technologically advanced boats have been repossessed by banks and families have been forced to abandon their way of life."

Hard Rock Casino signs Ruth's Chris Steak House

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino announced that its new Biloxi location will be home to a Ruth's Chris Steak House.

The legendary upscale steakhouse group, founded in New Orleans nearly 40 years ago, will be the hotel and casino's premiere dining offering.

Ruth's Chris will be an integral part of providing a high quality experience at our hotel and casino. We are excited to bring such a well-known brand in New Orleans to our locals," said President and COO of Hard Rock Biloxi, Joe Billheimer.

The 230-seat restaurant will be located just outside the gaming entrance along

The Hard Rock location in Biloxi represents our continuing worldwide growth," said Craig Miller, Chief Executive Officer of Ruth's Chris Steak House. "Our neighbors on the Gulf Coast will no longer have to make the drive to New Orleans to enjoy the Ruth's Chris sizzle."

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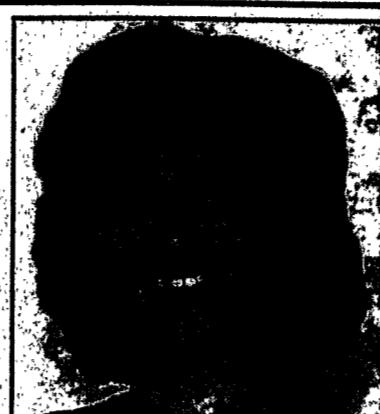
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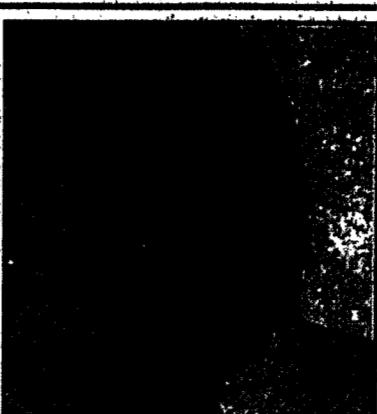
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Casino Magic BSL names Team Members of the Year

Marty Wright of Bay St. Louis, Pam Ladner of Pass Christian and George Puglia of Waveland were named Casino Magic Bay St. Louis "Supervisor and Team Members of the Year" at the casino's annual Team Member Extravaganza on December 6th. The three employees were awarded an all-expense paid vacation to their choice of exciting destinations by President, COO and General Manager, John Jagunich.

Supervisor of the Year, Marty Wright, a slot supervisor, has been with Casino Magic for 11 years. Wright is responsible for a staff of 13-25 and oversees the slot floor to ensure excellent guest service. In addition, he handles jackpots and hopper fills.

"I was completely shocked," remembers Wright. "I wasn't expecting to win. The entire evening was wonderful from beginning to end. I feel very honored."

The honor comes with a big decision, where to vacation? The honorees have the choice of visiting Disney World, or taking a Caribbean cruise!

"I'm not sure which I'll choose. They both sound awesome," said Wright.

Other 2004 Supervisor of the Year nominees included: Wendy Augustus, Lishia Berthold, Leslie Crespo, Audrey Ladner, Farrah Pierce, Tiffany Riggins, Maria Salter, Ken Thrifiley and Don Wicks.

Co-Team Member of the Year, George Puglia worked at Casino Magic when it first opened in 1992, and returned two years ago to tend bar.

"It felt like coming home," remembers Puglia who is currently a bartender at Jourdan River Grille restaurant. His job responsibilities include "anything that needs to be done." When he heard his name announced as co-Team Member of the Year, Puglia, who claims he was nervous, soon turned on his trademark wit.

"I guess this means I'm an adult now," joked 47 year-old Puglia in his acceptance speech. And how does it feel to be an adult? "I'm slowly coming to terms with it," he claims. For Puglia, the decision on which well-earned vacation to take isn't so easy either; he remains undecided.

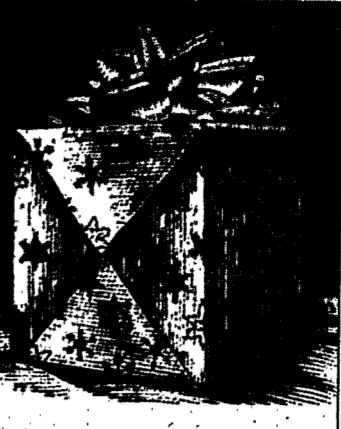
For no one was the night more special than Financial Analyst Pam Ladner.

Just an hour before the party her boyfriend of three years surprised her by drop-

Denton named managing partner

Jack L. Denton, son of the late Will Denton, has been named Managing Partner of Denton Law Firm in Biloxi.

Denton is a graduate of Michigan State University School of Law. He also holds a Bachelor of Arts and Master of Science from the University of Southern Mississippi.



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OLG recognizes Dickinson as Parishioner of the Year

Charles B. Dickinson has been named Parishioner of the Year by Our Lady of the Gulf (OLG) Parish in Bay St. Louis. Dickinson was recognized by the OLG Knights of Columbus (KC) Ladies Auxiliary because of the sacrifices he has made of his time and talents to the community and church.

Members of the Auxiliary selected him from a field of nine nominees for his active involvement in Parish activities for many years, and for the ways he has integrated Catholicism into his daily life. The KC Ladies Auxiliary also recognized Dickinson for giving of his time, talent and treasure for the Church, behind the scenes.

Last year, Dickinson coordinated the restoration of the historical bells and the clock in the Church. "Charles is someone who does not wear his faith on his sleeve. He lives it daily in his dedication and commitment to his parish," said Father Mike Tracey, Pastor of OLG Parish.

Tracey also said that Dickinson, without looking for recognition, fanfare or accolades, spearheaded the complete restoration and refurbishing of Our Lady of the Gulf church organ.

"Charles managed all aspects of the project. He coordinated the different sub-contractors, and took on the commitment to raise the money to complete the project.

"OLG Church is a symbol of all of the important aspects of our family life," said Dickinson. "My wife Pat and I were married there. Most of our children were married there, and many of our children and grand-children were baptized at this church," he said.

OLG Church is the mother church of all Catholic Churches in Hancock County. With over 5,500 registered Parishioners, it is the second largest in the Diocese of Biloxi. It is also the third oldest Parish on the Gulf Coast and the fifth oldest in Mississippi.

Inside the church building is an impressive high altar, built of Italian Carrera marble, and the dome over the altar that features a large painting of Mary as Our Lady of the Gulf to whom the church is dedicated. Exquisite stained glass windows by Mayer and Company in Munich, Germany, adorn each side of the Church, intended for meditation and



CHARLES B DICKINSON

for lifting one's spirit.

Dickinson said the structure itself is a beacon for the community, and the closest thing Hancock County has to a Cathedral. "It is up to us to preserve this important community and spiritual structure," he said.

For more information, contact the OLG Parish Office at: 467-6509.

Bay St. Louis City Council rules in favor of butterfly garden owners

BY BENNIE SHALLBETTER
STAFF WRITER

Butterfly gardens aren't a menace to the city or a violation of city ordinance, Bay council ruled Tuesday evening, even if some may have a different opinion. Felicity St. resident Robert Ketchum had asked councilmen to rule in his favor and declare his neighbor Sybil Ramsey in violation of city ordinance 382 because of what he called "rampant overgrowth" in her yard. The ordinance was originally drafted to ensure that yards are maintained.

Ramsey and house mate Bob Davis presented councilmen with a petition of support from 58 neighbors, just about everybody on the block except Ketchum, they said. They brought in two arrangements with flowers from their yard and a garden plan.

"The design of our yard reflects our love of birds, butterflies, and flowers," Ramsey read in an address to the council.

Ramsey said gardens like hers were encouraged by the Hancock County Extension Office to offer year round sanctuary to the council.

migrating birds and to butterflies. The plants provide food and many are native to Mississippi, she said.

Neighbor Jerry Dixon said the city should be grateful for a garden that preserves natural areas when so many areas are being lost to development. The garden is the result of hard work and planning, not something that just happens, he said.

"If you pick up any magazine, this is the type of garden you will see," said neighbor Diane Stevenson. "Conventional lawns are the real hazard."

Councilman Jim Thrifiley said his concern was that someone could hide in areas with dense vegetation. Councilman Doug Seal said he would like to work with Ramsey and others to come up with an ordinance that would allow for a variation in gardening. Seal suggested the city regulate overgrowth. Seal suggested homeowners be allowed to use a portion of their yard for gardens like Ramsey's.

City attorney John Seafide told Ketchum that he could appeal to the courts

to declare the yard a nuisance if he was not satisfied with the council's decision. No further action can be taken by the city, he said.

In other business:

• Councilmen discussed a planned improvement for the beach front. The project will add handicap access to the beach, a paved walkway and paved paths along the walkway from Beach Blvd. to the sand beach. The city would like to connect the walkway to the bike and bike trail and to the Ulman St. Pier, said Mayor Eddie Favre.



Doll & Toy Fund donation

Local Bed and Breakfast owners raised over \$1,000 for the Bay St. Louis Fireman's Doll and Toy Fund with a successful Holiday Home Tour held December 4. The event was planned as a thank you to the community with all proceeds donated to the fund. Pictured from right to left standing are: Bay Town Inn owner Nikki Nicholson, The Palms owner Marge Morken, Bay Fire and Life Safety Officer Louis Prendgast, and Bay Fire Chief Bobby Gavagnie. Pictured seated are Palms owner Reg Morken and The Trust owner Hilton Eymard. Not present was Heritage House owner Timothy Moore. (Echo Staff Photo by Bennie Shallbetter)

Dunklin honored at CSU commencement

Bay Saint Louis native Aaron Dunklin received a bachelor of arts degree in Business Management Emphasis at Charleston Southern University's winter commencement exercises on Saturday, Dec. 11. The University conferred 137 undergraduate and 46 graduate degrees during the ceremony, upon students who had completed their requirements during the summer and fall terms.

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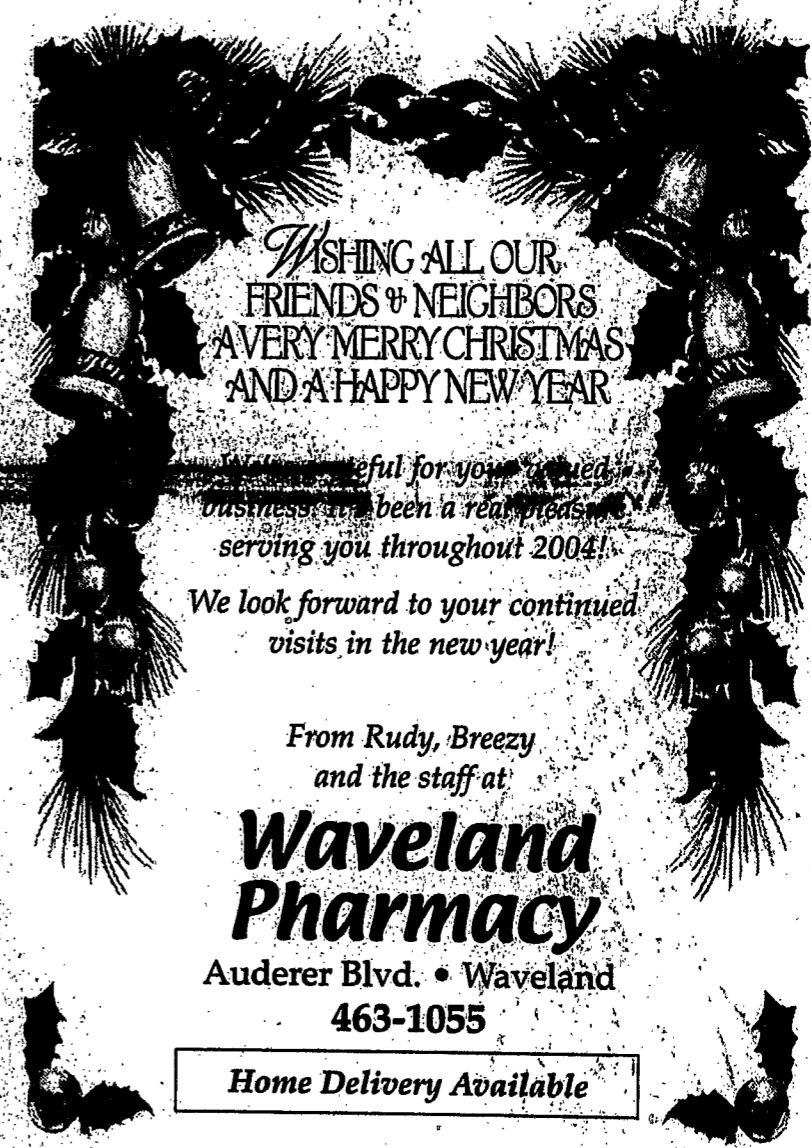
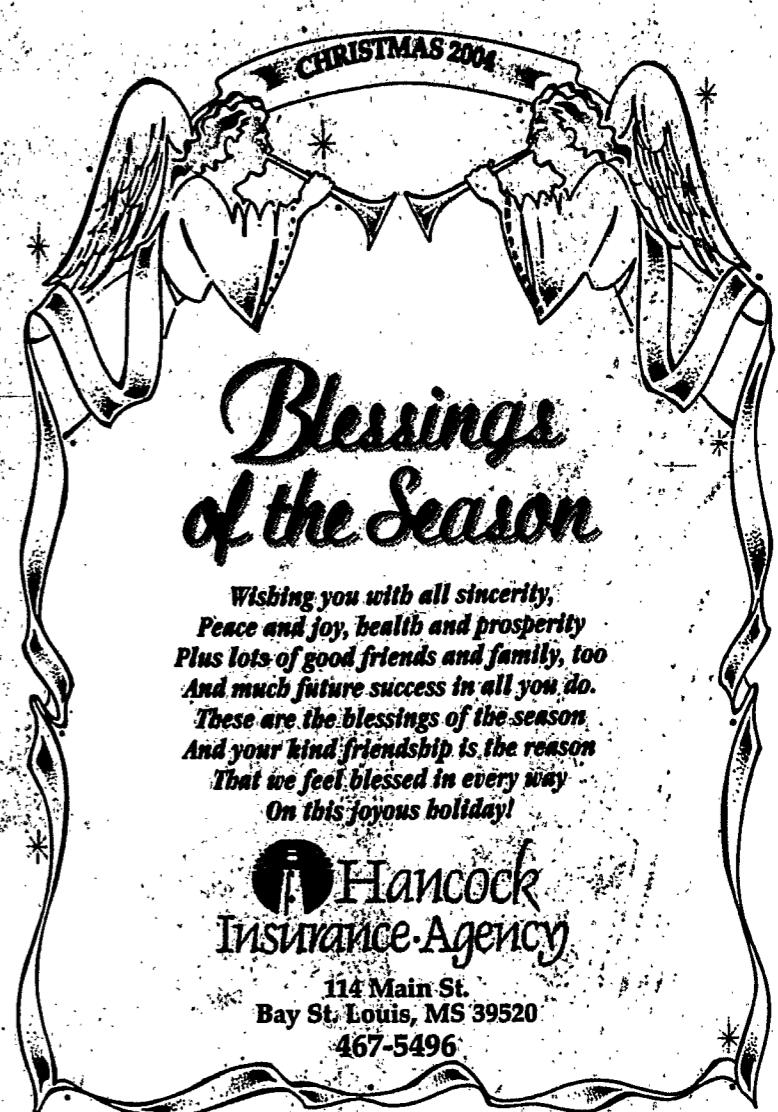
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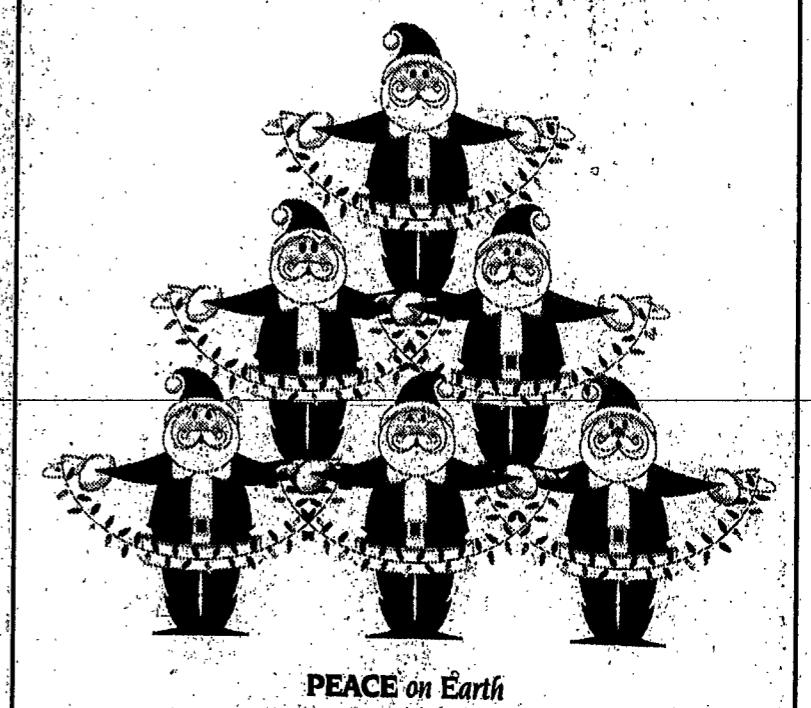
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Bay Catholic Christmas

Bay Catholic held its annual Christmas program Thursday evening, December 9th, at Our Lady of the Gulf Church. Following the program, the students followed a candlelit path back to the school cafeteria for the lighting of their tree and a reception. Shannon Collins (2nd grade teacher) and Betsy Gagnet (6th grade teacher) coordinated the program. Pictured in the top photo surrounding the Holy Family are (L to R) Jacob Boone, Wesley Haas, Jordan Wong, Jade Sahuque, Andrew McGinity, Emily Sramek, Kollin Cannon, Cairo Plauche. The Holy Family are Caleb Kergosien, Jaynie Kergosien, and baby Camille Ivey. In the lower photo (with the Holy Family and the angel) are Caleb Kergosien, angel Andrew McGinity, Jaynie Kergosien, and baby Camille Ivey.

Hancock High open house

The faculty and staff at Hancock High School are sponsoring an open house on Tuesday, January 11 from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. Parents and students are invited to visit the school, located at 7084 Stennis Airport Road, during the open house to meet the teachers and learn more about the remainder of the school year. In addition, financial aid advisors from the University of Southern Mississippi, Pearl River Community College, and the Institute of Higher Learning will be available to discuss options for college tuition.

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Merry Christmas from Kiln, Mississippi

The Annual Kiln Christmas Horse and Buggy Parade drew crowds of revelers on Sunday. The parade featured brightly decorated equine from the noble mule to stately Percherons. Families and friends decorated wagons ranging from the whimsical to replicas of covered wagons of old. But whether our four footed friends were mules sporting reindeer antlers or thoroughbreds showing off elegant attire they appeared to enjoy the parade as much as any of their human counterparts, who had accompanied them to the parade. Santa Claus was delivered by wagon to the Kiln VFW Hall where parents enjoyed refreshments while children gave their lists to Santa. (Echo Staff Photos By Bennie Shallbetter)



Local students among fall graduates at Mississippi State

Nearly 1,300 Mississippi State students are candidates for degrees at the conclusion of the university's 2004 fall semester.

including August C. McKay of Waveland, Ms. (Business & Industry) and Jamie R. Schaefer of Hancock County, Ms. (Agriculture, & Life Sciences).

To accommodate a continuing record number of graduates, during the fall and spring semesters and to now announce the names of all graduates to Humphrey Coliseum audiences MSU will hold two commencement ceremonies.

Students enrolled in the Bagley College of Engineering and the colleges of Veterinary

Medicine, Agriculture and Life Sciences; Forest Resources; and Education will receive diplomas at 7 p.m. Dec. 10. Those in the colleges of Arts and Sciences; Architecture, Art and Design; and Business and Industry will be awarded degrees at 10 a.m. on the 11th.

Honor graduates include all bachelor degree candidates with exceptional scholastic averages and at least half the total required course hours earned at MSU. Their specific levels of recognition and the minimum required grade-point averages for each, based on a 4.0 scale, include: summa cum laude, 3.80; magna cum laude, 3.60; and cum laude, 3.40.

Students collect for Food Pantry



School recognized

Tom McCormick, left, with the Hancock Food Pantry recently presented a plaque to Hancock North Central Elementary teacher Lesslie Prescott, Principal Katie Warren, and the 5th grade students in Prescott's class. Prior to Thanksgiving, the entire school collected approximately 2,400 canned goods and non-perishable items which were donated to the Food Pantry. Prescott's class collected the most items, 328 canned goods, to receive recognition as the school's top collecting class.

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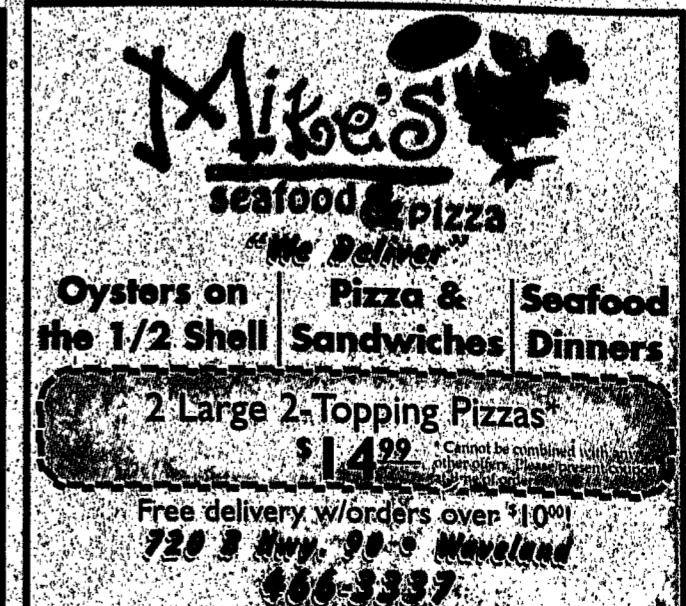
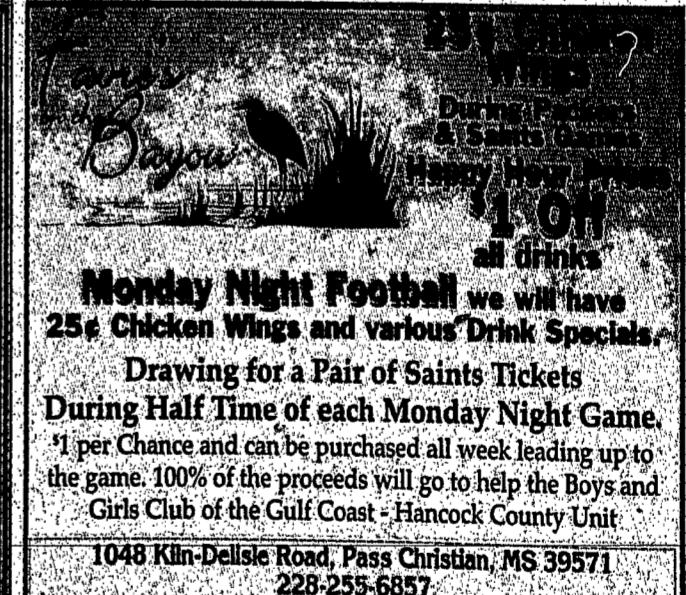
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Sports

BH Tigers sweep Redemption-Seton in Bay Christmas Classic opening round

BY JOSEPH W. GEX II
STAFF WRITER

The Bay High Tigers swept their opening night opponents in the Bay High Christmas Tournament on Tuesday, December 21st. Both the boys and girls teams played the the Redemption-Seton Rams.

In the girls game, the Lady Tigers (14-0) whipped the Lady Rams 94-7. Bay High jumped out to a 29-0 lead and the Lady Rams did not score until midway through the second period. Bay High enjoyed a 51-4 lead at half-time.

Bay High head coach Debbie Triplett stated, "We executed very well in the game and were able to get the younger players a lot of game experience."

Kendra Reed led Bay High with 24 points and 9 rebounds. Destiny Porter added 16 points followed by Keneisha Montgomery with 14 points and 9 rebounds. Whitney Favre and Sara Gilmore each added 10 points while Whitney Gladney and Tamara Reed

both scored 9 points. Crystal Scratching dished 9 assists and had 5 steals.

In the boys game, the Tigers (6-8) struggled early but got in a groove in the second half. Bay High held a narrow 12-8 lead over the Rams after one period of play and extended that lead to 27-17 at intermission.

Bay High head coach Alan Lumpkin commented, "It was an ugly win but we will take it. We are still struggling at times with our decision making. We have to continue to focus on getting better with making decisions on the court. However, the intensity of the players and how they play remains strong. I am very proud of how hard they practice and play."

Braxton Rockwell led the Tigers with 21 points followed by George Easley with 10 points.

Gautier (boys), D'Iberville (girls), Salmen (girls) and Slidell (boys) all played in the early games but scoring details were not available. Those games and

Wednesday's games from the Tiger Christmas Classic will be reviewed in Sunday's edition.

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws (11-3) got back on the winning track, on Tuesday evening with a 70-49 win over the visiting Oak Grove Warriors.

SSC held a 17-7 first period lead that turned into a 34-21 half-time advantage. Ludovic Dovonu scored 21 points and pulled down 10 rebounds to lead SSC. Mike Rice added 13 points and 6 boards in the win.

SSC will play next in the Admiral Hardwood Classic December 27-29 at Bert Jenkins Gymnasium in Gulfport.

In other area action, the Hancock Lady Hawks (12-5) defeated Starkville 70-57 in the consolation game of the Columbus Tournament on Saturday. Ashley Boehnel scored 20 points to lead Hancock.

The Lady Hawks also lost a heartbreaker to Vigor on Friday night 56-54. Boehnel added 16 points in the loss.

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for Hancock.

On December 17th, the Pass Christian Pirates lost to Biloxi 70-56. Scoring details of the game were unavailable. In girls action, the Lady Pirates (5-6) defeated Biloxi 48-43. Simone Williams led Pass Christian with 12 points while Ishanti Saucier and Hillary Dedeaux each added 10 points.

The Our Lady Academy Crescents improved to 5-10 on the season with a 51-22 win over Pope John Paul II on Friday night. Madeline Loftus paced the Crescents with 19 points while Whitney Lyons added 12 points and Victoria Romano 11 points.

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws improved their division record to 3-0 and 10-2 overall with an 82-44 win over Vancleave.

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SSC cut the Blue Jays lead to 14-13 early in the second period using a 5-0 run to start the period. SSC went into a half-time break at 24-19.

The Rocks and the Blue Jays continued to get after each other on the defensive end of the court and the Rocks pulled to within a point 33-32 at the end of the third period.

Mike Rice put the Rocks into overtime with 57 left in regulation when he banked a shot in from the paint after a big three-point shot from Derrick Willis.

Rice answered again for the Rocks at the end of the first overtime when he scored a two-pointer with :08 left.

The Blue Jays went 5-of-9 from the charity stripe in the second overtime to keep the Rocks at bay for the win.

The previously undefeated Biloxi Indians (11-1) ended the day of basketball against Hahnville. The game was not kind to the Indians' record as they were defeated 69-62 by the Tigers.

The Admirals were led by Luther Suggs' 18 points followed by Jason Dixon and Justin with 14 points each.

The St. Stanislaus Rock-a-chaws (10-3, 3-0) locked horns with the Jesuit Blue Jays in the feature game hoping to exact some revenge from an early season 38-36 loss to the Blue Jays in New Orleans.

It was a spectator's game as the contest went into double-overtime before Jesuit handed SSC their third loss of the season 53-

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Entertainment



The Imagination Movers to perform at Lynn Meadows

Come shake, rattle and roll in 2005 with The Imagination Movers, a high energy New Orleans foursome with kid-friendly tunes, on Friday, December 31 at the Lynn Meadows Discovery Center. The Family New Year's Eve Celebration starts at 4:00 with interactive holiday activities, followed by some "New Year's Nibbles", at 5:00 the Movers take the stage, and then the ball drops at 6:00 where it's Midnight somewhere! "Some of our staff saw the Imagination Movers last May in New Orleans at the national meeting of children's museums," says Betsy Grant, Discovery Center Director. "They had the entire audience on their feet clapping and dancing; if they can get MOVEMENT from adults, IMAGINE what the response will be from children!"

The Imagination Movers began in New Orleans in 2003 and now are fast-rising stars on the national kids music scene thanks to their combination of radio-friendly songs, kid-friendly themes and dynamic live show. Kids and adults of all ages will rap, clap, stomp, romp, bounce and slide their way through songs that range from the funky dance number "Clean My Room" to the Movers, #1 hit "I Want My Mommy", a guitar fueled anthem about learning to sleep through the night. Wearing their trademark blue overalls, Imagination Movers Rich, Scott, Dave and Smitty sing, dance, bang on trashcan drums and inspire kids to use their imaginations to make their own music. "The great thing about performing for kids is that they don't fake smiles," says Scott Durbin, otherwise known as Imagination Mover Scott. "We know when we're giving a great show because the audience is a sea of smiling faces. Our favorite part about being Movers is writing songs that really connect with parents and kids and then thinking of energetic, entertaining ways to bring that music into a concert setting."

The Movers, a National kids music phenomenon, has received four national awards for their 2003 debut CD- Good Ideas, including 2003 Best Recording for Younger Children and a 2003 Parents' Choice Recommended Award. In June, 2004, their second CD, Calling All Movers was released and is currently under consideration for a 2004 Grammy nomination.

The group entered the kids video marketplace with the December, 2004 release of their debut DVD, Stir It Up. Their tour schedule includes performances in Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Georgia, Texas and

Maryland. Visit their website at www.imagination-movers.com

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Brooks & Dunn

Tickets go on sale today, December 23 at 10 a.m. for the upcoming Brooks & Dunn performances at Casino Magic Bay St. Louis, on Friday & Saturday February 25th & 26th. Shows start at 9 p.m. The country duo are known for hits like: "Boot Scootin' Boogie," "Neon Moon," "Hard Workin' Man," "My Maria," "That Ain't No Way To Go," "You Can't Take the Honky Tonk Out of the Girl," "The Long Goodbye," and many, many more! Tickets for the performances start at \$49.95 and may be purchased at the Casino Magic Box Office by calling 1-800-5-MAGIC-5 or through any Ticketmaster Outlet or ticketmaster.com. Premium seating is available. Must be at least 21 to attend.

Singer/songwriter Kara Klein to host fundraising concert At OLG on Jan. 7

Mandeville teenager Kara Klein will host a fundraising concert entitled "Our Lady Academy Concert" at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church in Bay St. Louis Mississippi on Sunday, January 7th at 2:00 p.m. Since her Debut Concert in late August, where Kara performed songs from her newly released CD "A Touch of Your Grace" to a standing-room-only crowd at Mary Queen of Peace Church, the young singer has been asked to share her musical talent both locally and nationally.

In September in Washington D. C., Kara entertained members of the United States Senate and the House of Representatives, as well as actress Jane Seymour, at the Patron's Party for The Congressional Coalition on Adoption Institute's "Angels In Adoption" Gala Dinner.

As a result of her performance, Kara has been invited by the event organizers to perform as a featured soloist at the Gala Dinner next fall. Additionally, in early October Kara appeared as a special guest on Michigan Catholic Radio, a Detroit-based radio station that is actively promoting her CD.

In addition to songs from "A Touch of Your Grace", Kara will give a preview of selected songs from her next CD at the Our Lady Academy Concert. One selection that the audience will be the first to hear is an original hymn entitled "Child of Light", a pro-life song that will be released as a single in a strategic alliance with the Susan B. Anthony List (SBA) - a Washington D.C.-based political action committee dedicated to ending abortion.

Everyone is invited to attend the concert on Sunday, January 7th at 2:00 PM at Our Lady of the Gulf Catholic Church located at 228 South Beach Blvd. in Bay St. Louis, Mississippi. A CD signing will follow the concert. Tickets are \$5.00 for all ages and can be pur-

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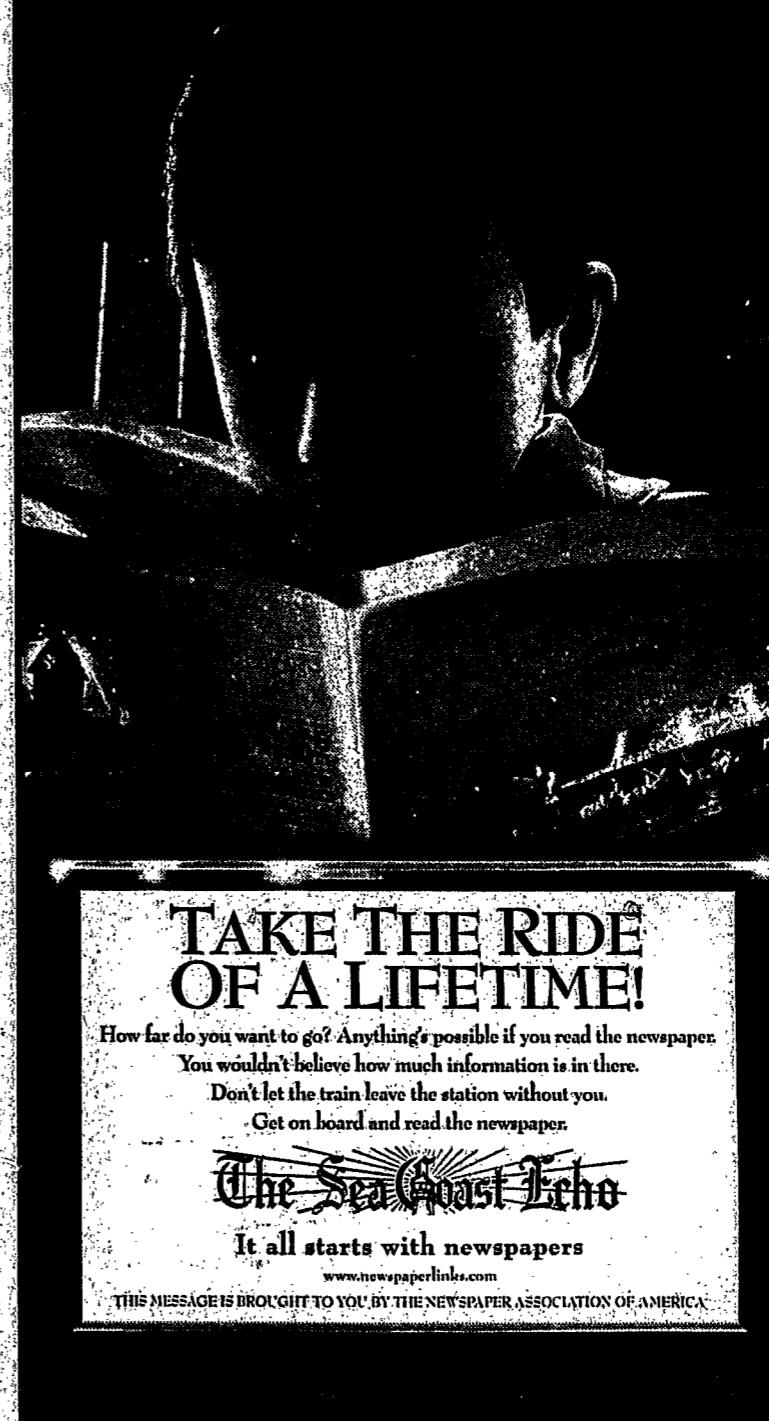
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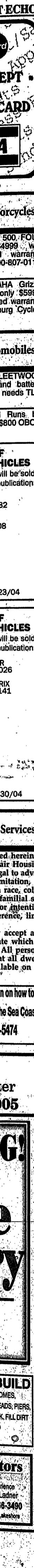
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The names(s), title(s), and address(es) of all owners/partners/officer(s) and/or Major stockholder(s) of the above are as follows:

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BY: LURLINE L. ULRICH, ADMINISTRATRIX

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STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

COUNTY OF HANCOCK

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This 24th day of November, A.D. 2004.

PREPARED BY: LURLINE L. ULRICH, ADMINISTRATRIX

Joseph Kelly

Attorney at Law

10 Hwy 90, Bay St. Louis, MS 39520

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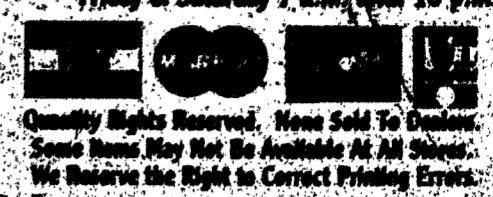
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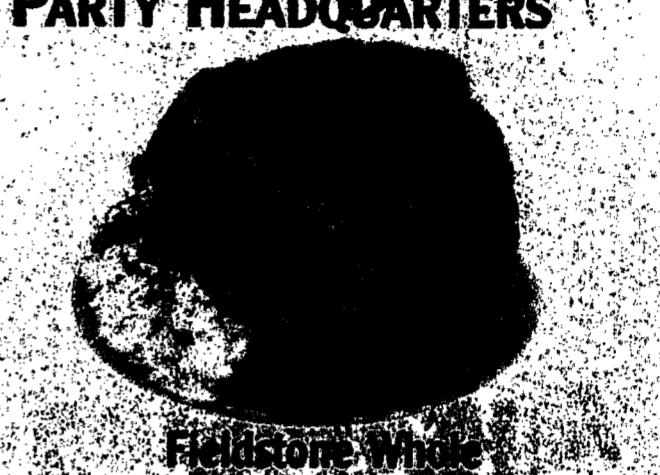
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